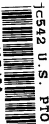


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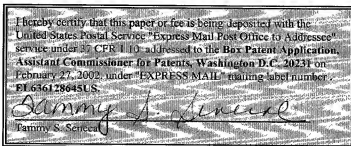
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Title: A PROTECTION SWITCH IN A TWO-FIBER OPTICAL CHANNEL SHARED PROTECTION RING

1. Type of Application

This is a request for filing a CONTINUATION APPLICATION under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 09/799,374 Group Art Unit: 2633
 Filed: March 5, 2001 Examiner: Ming Li

Title: A PROTECTION SWITCH IN A TWO-FIBER OPTICAL CHANNEL SHARED PROTECTION RING

Inventors: Ming Li; Mark Soulliere; Richard Wagner

2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 13 Page(s) of Specification
9 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
11 Sheet of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-10)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

[x] A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application.

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7. Assignment

The prior application is assigned of record to Corning Incorporated, at Reel 011915, Frame(s) 0249.

8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

- A. Filing Fee
☒ Original Patent Application \$ 740.00
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) --\$740.00; Small Entity--\$355.00)
- B. Fees for Claims (35 Claims; 4 Indep.)
☒ each independent claim in excess of 3
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(b) --\$84.00; small entity--\$42.00) \$ 80.00
☒ each claim in excess of 20
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(c) --\$18.00; small entity--\$9.00) \$ 270.00
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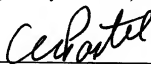
9. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,060.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0289. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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3. [X] Amend the specification by inserting after the title and before the first line the sentence:

--Cross Reference to Related Application

This is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/799,374, filed March 5, 2001, now allowed, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

4. Relate Back

A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)

[X] Priority of provisional application Serial No. 60/187,656 filed March 7, 2000, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)

[X] Priority of said prior application 09/799,374, filed March 5, 2001, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

[] Priority of foreign application(s) No. , filed in is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

[] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application was filed in prior application Serial No. on .

[] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

5. Declaration or Oath (including Power of Attorney)

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Daniel P. Malley, Reg. No. 43,443:

[X] A copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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6. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application are the same.

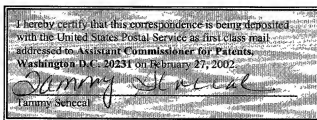
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Notification is hereby being made of the filing of a:

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